


**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
FREEWAY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA  
CONVENED THIS 20<sup>th</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER 2015 6:40 P.M.  
CITY MANAGER'S CONFERENCE ROOM  
1414 MISSION STREET**

<b>1. ROLL CALL</b>	The regular meeting of the Freeway and Transportation Commission (FTC) was convened at 6:40 p.m. Commissioners present: Helgeson, Nuckols, and Sherman; Commissioners excused: Evans, and Reynolds; Council Liaison: Khubesrian and Schneider present and Staff present: Principal Management Analyst (PMA) Lin.
<b>2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES</b>	The June minutes were approved. (3 ayes, 0 noes, 2 absent, 0 abstain)
<b>3. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS</b>	<p>Chair Sherman announced that Carrie Bowen, Caltrans, commented that the SR-710 Draft EIR/EIS Response to Comments should be completed in 6-months.</p> <p>Commissioner Nuckols stated that the Boston tunnel experienced flooding which required the use of pumps.</p>
<b>4. COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS</b>	Councilmember Khubesrian announced that she attended a meeting with Phil Washington and the Arroyo Verdugo Subregion to talk about Public Private Partnerships and the need to protect the public from potential cost overruns.
<b>5. STAFF COMMENTS</b>	None.
<b>6. PUBLIC COMMENTS (ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA)</b>	<p>Stephanie Wolff expressed concerns that the City has not taken action on Holy Family's violations to the Specific Plan.</p> <p>PMA Lin clarified the code enforcement is currently being handled by the Planning and Building Department.</p> <p>A discussion regarding the purview of the FTC took place. Councilmember Schneider clarified that the Specific Plan violations were not under the purview of the Public Works Commission. Commissioner Nuckols suggested that clarification be provided regarding the purview of each commission.</p>
<b>7. DISCUSSION ITEMS</b>	
<b>I. South Pasadena Unified School District Development</b>	<p>PMA Lin reported that the Draft Environmental Impact Report should be completed by the end of the year and will include additional traffic analysis as requested by City Staff.</p> <p>Councilmember Khubesrian expressed concerns that the process has moved too fast. Commissioner Helgeson stated that the City has a responsibility to review the impacts and mitigation measures. The Initial</p>

	<p>Management/Transportation Demand Management alternative for the SR-710. Chair Sherman commented that Caltrans should be able to use the SR-710 environmental documents to assist in the hookramp project, and that there were safety concerns associated with the queue on the SR-110 at the Orange Grove Avenue off-ramp. Chair Sherman suggested that the City contact the project manager at Caltrans in addition to the District Director.</p>
<b>II. SCAG 2016 RTP/SCS</b>	<p>PMA Lin reported that the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Draft 2016 Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) and Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) would be released for public comment on December 3, 2015 during the SCAG Regional Council meeting. There will be a 55-day RTP and 45-day PEIR public comment period. The Final 2016 RTP/SCS and PEIR needs to be finalized by April for adoption by the SCAG Regional Council</p> <p>Commissioner Helgeson reported that Councilmember Mahmud had requested that the public comment period be extended. Commissioner Helgeson also stated that the county transportation plan projects were grandfathered into the RTP/SCS and the funding sources have to be identified; the PEIR provides a general overview; and the projects that are currently under the environmental review process should not be deferred.</p> <p>Chair Sherman stated that the projects in the Constrained Plan should be funded and that the 2012 RTP/SCS originally included the SR-710 project as a placeholder but it was changed to the tunnel alternative after it was adopted.</p>
<b>III. SR-710 Updates</b>	<p>PMA Lin presented an anthology of the issues and concerns associated with the SR-710 Draft EIR/EIS to the Commission.</p>
<b>8. AGENDA INPUT</b>	<p>Commissioner Nuckols requested that the Fair Oaks Avenue Improvement Project assessment report and Fremont Avenue Traffic Calming project be brought to the Commission for review.</p>
<b>9. ADJOURNMENT</b>	<p>By consensus, the Commission adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m. The next Commission meeting will be held on December 15, 2015.</p>

Approved By:

  
 William Sherman  
 Chair